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RE: Request for time extension for Transmission Pricing Methodology submissions

Dear John

The Electricity Networks Association formally requests an extension to the deadline for submissions on Transmission Pricing Methodology (TPM). The extension, if granted, would also apply to the ENA's 26 individual members.

The current deadline is 5pm on July 26, the same day that submissions are due on the Review of Distributed Generation Pricing Principles, another important consultation.

It's also worth noting that the deadline for TPM is two days before the July 28 date on which submissions are due at the Commerce Commission on Input Methodologies. This too is a very important consultation requiring careful consideration.

Given that there are three submissions due within days of each other, the ENA believes that there's a sound argument to support asking for an extension to the TPM deadline. In addition, some of the issues raised in the TPM proposal are complex and require careful review; another point for seeking a longer submission period.

ENA respectfully seeks a further eight weeks, which would extend the submission deadline to September 22. We appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Regards

Graeme Peters

Chief Executive